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THEN WHY NOT RECRUIT SOME MORE?
WE'RE TRYING BUT IT DOESN'T DO ANY GOOD WHEN NO ONE APPLIES
UH SIR? I'M SORRY, BUT WE'RE LOW ON STAFF.
DAMMIT! WHERE ARE THOSE NEW CHAPTERS?!
ARE YOU FREAKING SERIOUS?
MANGA
FIST SLAM
WELL UH, YES ACTUALLY

IT'S SUCH A PITY TOO WE HAVE SO MANY LOVELY PROJECTS THAT ARE JUST DYING FOR STAFF
Hug me
hold me
Love me♥
!
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?
WHY ARE YOU LOOKING AT ME LIKE THAT?
IT'S KIND OF CREEPING ME OUT
THIS GUY'S WEIRD STILL, MAYBE I SHOULD VOLUNTEER AND HELP SPEED UP THEIR RELEASES
STARE

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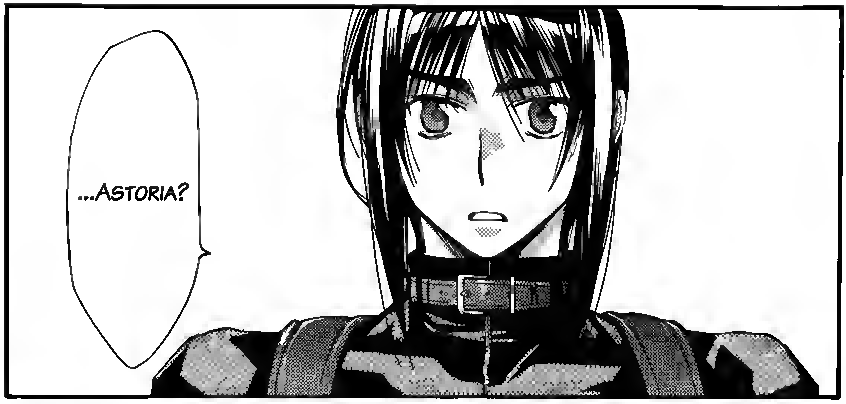
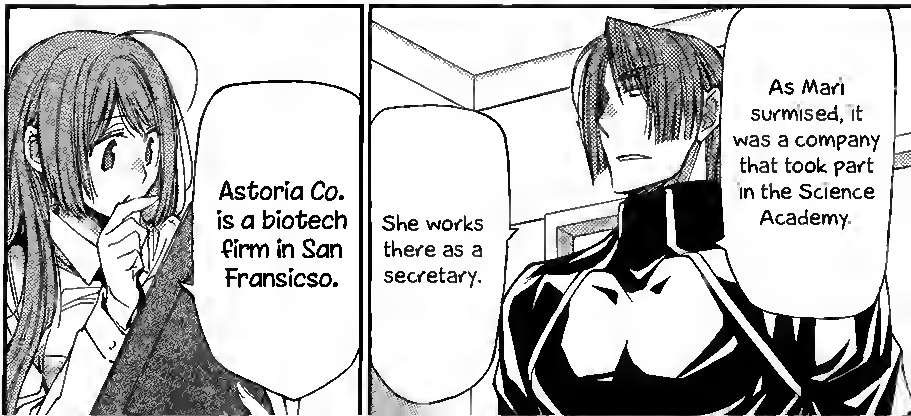
EIGHTH TRIAL ⑤


...Astoria?

There's someone who witnessed the intruder at the Vatican...
Archbishop Vernanzo was looking into it
Yeah!


Astoria Co. is a biotech firm in San Fransicso.
She works there as a secretary.
As Mari surmised, it was a company that took part in the Science Academy.

Couldn't you ask the Archbishop to do a little more digging?
The one who called them to the Academy should be in the Vatican, right?
...Understood!
I do, but it's likely an alias.
It's not as large as Eighth, but it's on the same scale.
Do you know the secretary's name?
.....
ASTORIA'S SECRETARY...
Please do.
BUT I AM CONTACTING OCI.
...OH, NO!
Something coming to mind, Mira-san?

Astoria...
THE INCIDENT WITH RIO'S RESEARCH...
...WAS IN NO WAY RIO'S FAULT.

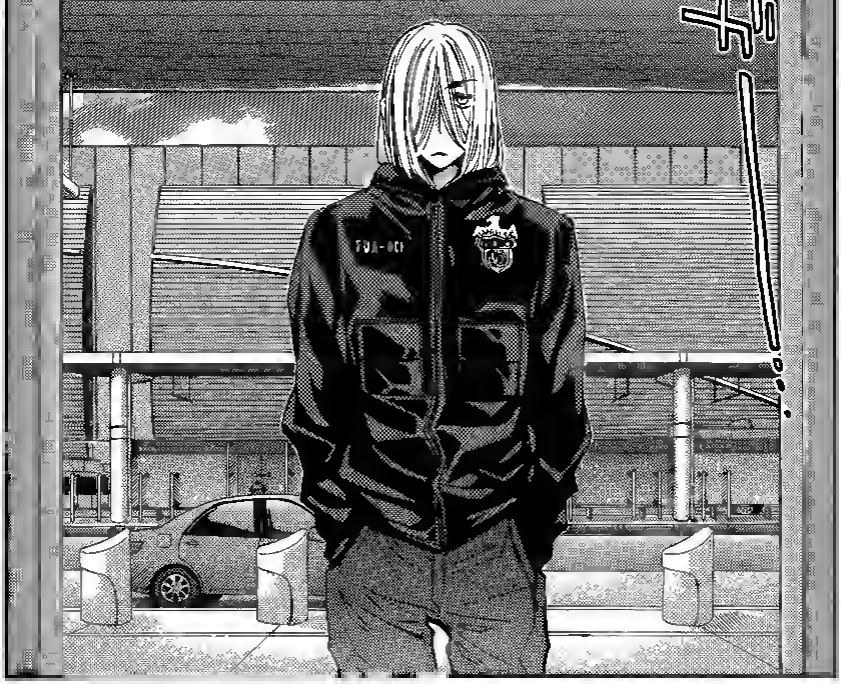
I...
I...
.....
I am...
...I'm scared everyone will hate me.
I... can... accept that... but...
The re-search...
I think people will hate it because of the incident.
...It hurts!
cry
It hurts so bad...

SOMEHOW...
WE ALL UNDERSTAND THAT.
... RIO...
GRIP
It was all so that it would save people...
A-And even so, I...
...I conducted my experiments, and so many mice died.
SOB
.....

I'VE GOTTA DO SOMETHING...!
GASP!
NAOYA!
YE-
YES, MA'AM!
DON'T SPACE OUT!
QUIT ACTING SO NERVOUS!
C'mon, smile! Smile!
You've already made her mad
POKE!
And pretty quickly too. //
FROM HERE ON OUT, YOU NEED NOT WORRY OVER DR. TENNOUJI, NAOYA.

STAY CALM AND CONCEN-TRATE...
...ON THE MISSION.
FIND YOUR GUT INSTINCT.
...AND FOLLOW IT!
YES, MA'AM!

SAN FRAN-CISCO
SAN JOSÉ AIR-PORT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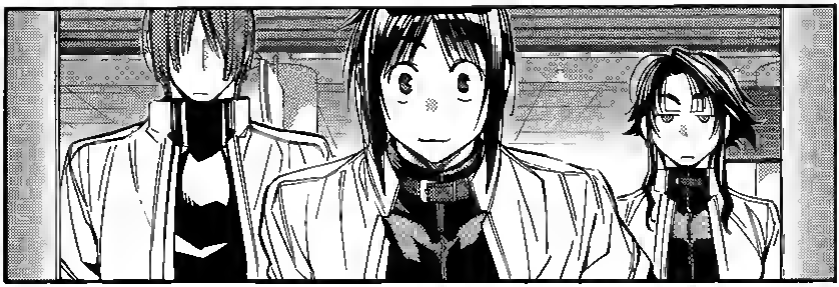
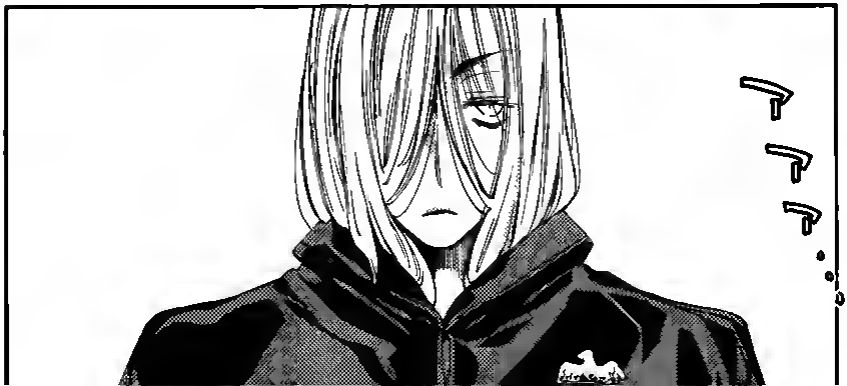




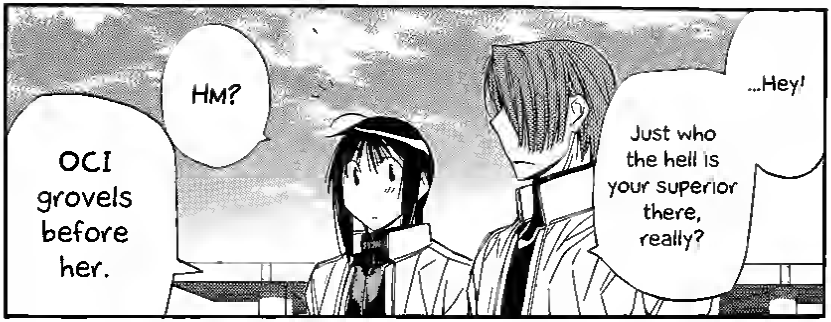
...Ah!
ER, YOU'RE FROM...
OCI...?
IS IT MY MISSION TO BABYSIT THAT, MISS MEYERS?
WHA...
...DON'T ACT SO CARE-LESSLY!
OWWW!
AAAAAH!

MIRA IS FINE.
BUT I MUST ADDRESS YOU FORMALLY...
FDA·OCI
FORMALITY IS A PAIN IN THE ASS.
SHOW SOME CONSIDERATION FOR OTHERS, IF YOU HAVE SUCH CONCERN FOR ME!
.....
...I'M STEWART. FROM OCI.
I'M NAOYA-
OW OW OW !!!
DEATH
GRIP!

IF YOU HOLD US BACK, I'LL KILL YOU!
JULIET!
STOP THREATEN-ING YOUR ALLY!
.....
D...
DON'T CALL ME THAT...
BLUSH
THEN START GETTING ALONG!
FDA-001
FDA

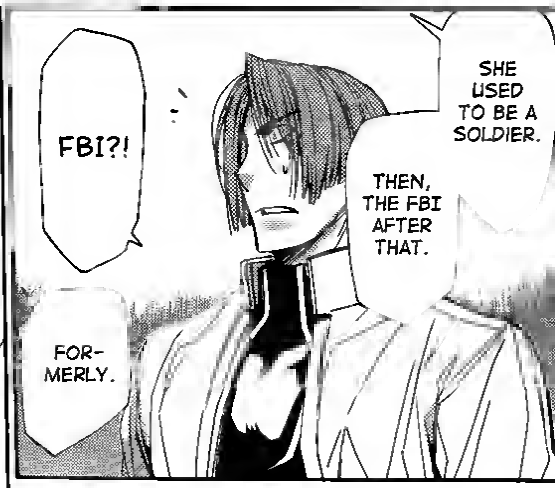
EH...? YOUR NAME IS JULIET?
That's a given name...?
IT'S STEWART! I'LL KILL YOU!
NICE TO MEE-
SO THIS IS THE VATICAN GUARD?
FDR-OCI
YOU SURE STAND OUT. KEEP YOURSELF IN CHECK.
...Is that an order?
What high social standing you must have, to be in OCI---
!!
BANG!

THE NEXT TIME, IT'LL BE REAL BULLETS.
YOU WILL GET ALONG.
Uwaaaah Where?!
Who?
Waaaa!
That was a gun shot!
STEWART, WHERE'S THE CAR?
OH, THIS WAY!
.....
He said, 'yes, ma'am'
YES, MA'AM !!!

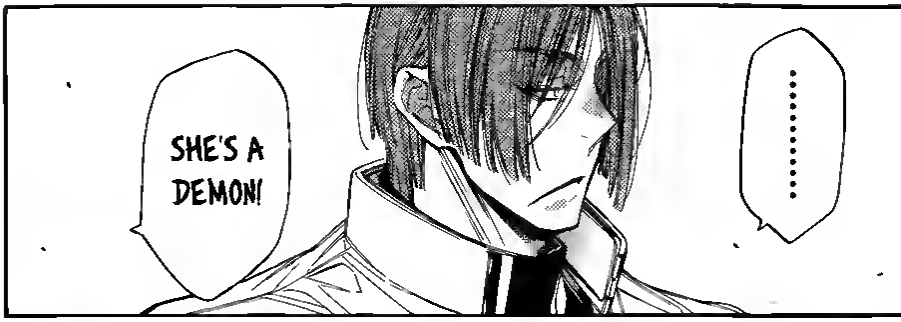

HM?
OCI grovels before her.
...Hey!
Just who the hell is your superior there, really?

YOU DON'T KNOW ABOUT MISS MEYERS?
IT'S NOT GROVELING, IT'S SHOWING RESPECT!
AH... ERM.

Then why would she work security at a private corporation like Eighth?
THAT'S WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW.


FBI?!
SHE USED TO BE A SOLDIER.
THEN, THE FBI AFTER THAT.
FOR-MERLY.

IN ALL FAIRNESS... MIRA MEYERS...
...WAS AN EXCELLENT FBI AGENT.
...WHAT A SHAME!
WE WANTED HER AT OCI.
YOU TWO, HURRY UP AND GET IN THE CAR!
...Did you know all that?
WELL?
YEAH!


SHE'S A DEMON!
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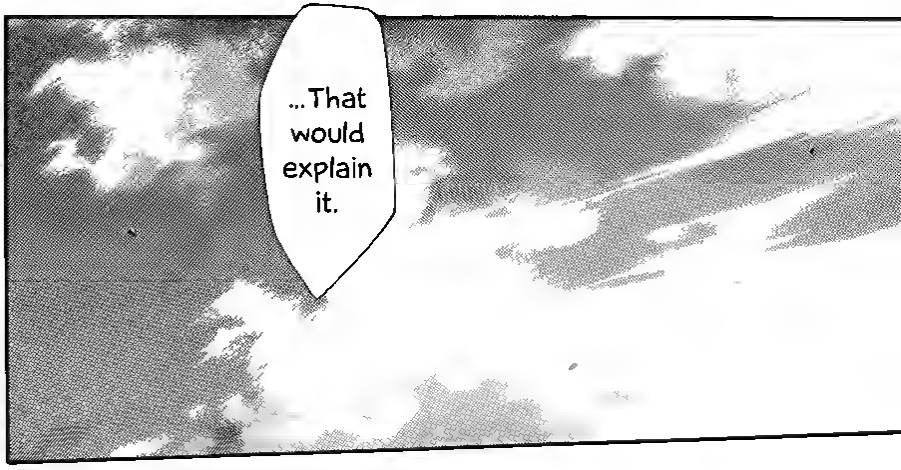

...That would explain it.

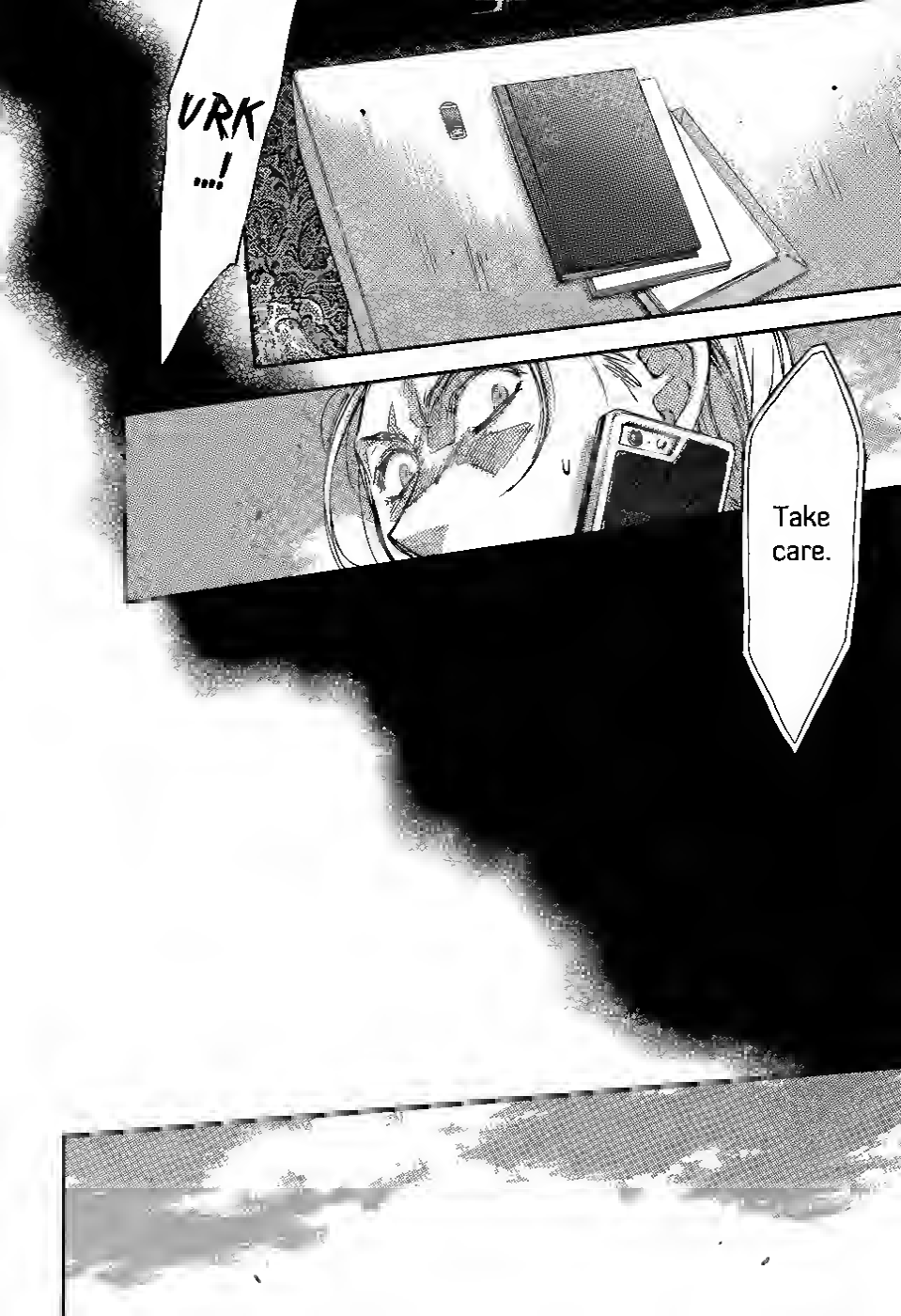
ASTORIA
...HEY!
WHY DID YOU DO THAT?!
WHA...
Well... Even saying that.
It was to crush Eighth!
...Didn't I tell you?
Perhaps you'll understand if I use simpler words.. I want to destroy Eighth.
Ah, no. Rather..
And killing them off is a difficult proposition to begin with..
I explained it once before, but behind Eighth is their parent company.

Even so, there should little problem hindering Eighth's influence.
So now, you can do as you please
DON'T FUCK WITH ME! IT'S NOT JUST EIGHTH! ALL THE BIOTECH COMPANIES WILL SUFFER FROM THIS!
ASTORIA'S STOCK PRICES ARE TUMBLING!
It will be fine. Astoria's 'insides' will survive.
…!?
It will be hard for new biotech goods manufacturers to enter the market.
It'll require too much money. And major acquisitions will be difficult
……

And on that point... Astoria has a pretty good structure. It has a complete set of facilities and a fair variety of products.
..HOLD IT!
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
Heh! Heh!
Well?
No matter how many of these incidents occur, there are people in the know who'll realize it.
In the future, the field of iPS will definitely advance!
THIS MEANS...
IT CAN'T BE... SHE INTENDS TO ACQUIRE ASTORIA?!
...HEY!
YOU... DON'T TELL ME...

You work for someone else?!
DAMN, YOU'RE SLOW.
!!
You cut ties with your own parent during the H5 vaccine matter.
At times like this, there is strength in "familial" business operations, but

Well, be that as it may, if they saved you, they might go down with you.
If you'd done as I suggested, there would be many options left. What a shame!
...INSTEAD, YOU'VE ALIENATED YOURSELF... SUCH A PITY!
KKKH...
YOU BITCH...!
That's that. We won't speak again.
Why don't you construct a plan of defense, for your employees' sakes?
Although...
..If it's discovered that Tennouji's research is at Astoria...
..The stock will drop even more!


URK ...!
Take care.

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JULIET!
BEEN MEANING TO ASK, BUT OCI ONLY SENT YOU?
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STE-WART!
...NO. JUST AS WE EXPECTED, THE CASE HAS BLOWN UP.
Blush
...PLEASE STOP WITH THAT NAME.
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WE COULD MEET UP, BUT...
ANOTHER TEAM FROM THE OCI HOME OFFICE IS HEADED TO ASTORIA.
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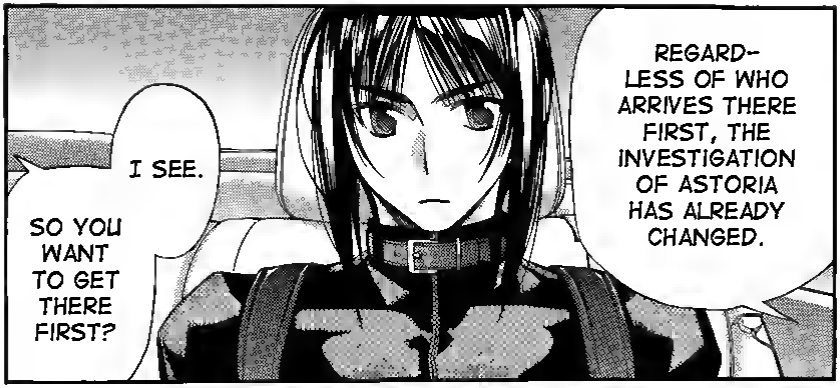

REGARD-
LESS OF WHO
ARRIVES THERE
FIRST, THE
INVESTIGATION
OF ASTORIA
HAS ALREADY
CHANGED.
I SEE.
SO YOU
WANT
TO GET
THERE
FIRST?

WE
MIGHT
BE A
LITTLE
LATE...
Ring-
ing-
ing!
FBA DCI
EXCUSE
ME?
BEEP
YES?

YES!
NO, WE'LL
ARRIVE
IN A FEW
MINUTES...
YES?
YES...
ガァァァ.

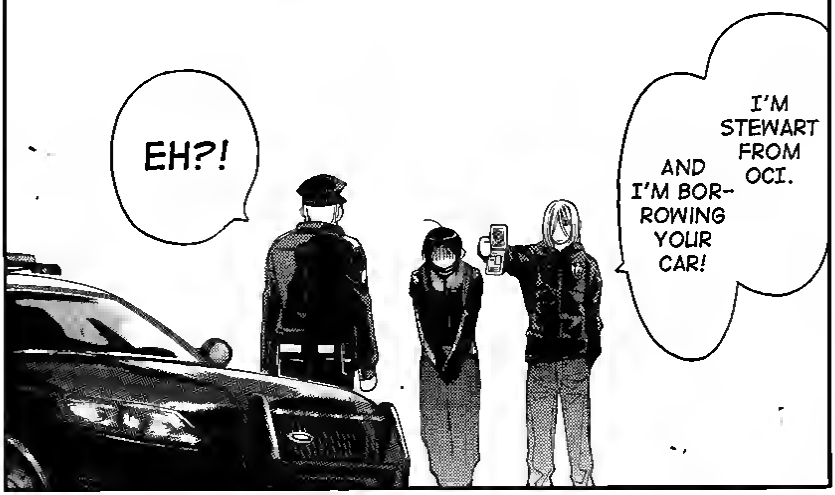
?
YES?
...YES!
YES.
BEEP
WHAT?
A MESSAGE FROM ANOTHER TEAM.
ASTORIA'S CEO HAS FLOWN THE COOP.

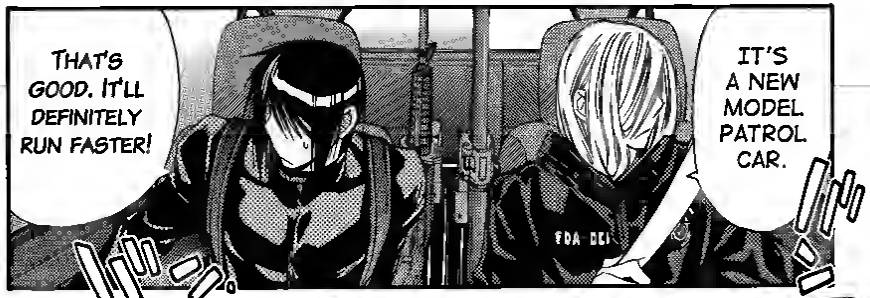
...EH?!
IT'S A BLACK MKX!
THE NUMBER IS ----- -----
...WHAT A MORON!
YEAH!
I'M GONNA OPEN HER UP A BIT!
UWAAAA!

WHOA... HEY, YOU!
!
Wait!
The car just now, on the other side-
PUR-SUING.
WHOA WHOA WHOA WHOA!

DAMN!
HE'S PRETTY FAST...
UWAAAAH!
roll
roll
SHUT UP! WE'RE SWAYING!
DRIVE STRAIGHT!
IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE UNSTEADY AT THE WHEEL!
IT'S BECAUSE YOU GUYS BACK THERE ARE TOO HEAVY!
No
You should have a car with enough power for the weight...
!

. Is that patrol car from OCI?
NO!
YOU! IN THE RED CAR. STOP...!
TELL THAT TO THE ASTORIA CAR!
...MIRA!
SORRY TO ASK, BUT WOULD YOU MIND TAKING OVER AND PURSUING THE TARGET?
YES, UNDER-STOOD.
HEY, WHOEVER'S BEHIND ME, GET OUT!
EH?!
YEAH, YOU! COME WITH ME!
...YOU'VE GOTTA BE KIDDING ME!


EH?!
I'M STEWART FROM OCI.
AND I'M BORROWING YOUR CAR!


THAT'S GOOD. IT'LL DEFINITELY RUN FASTER!
IT'S A NEW MODEL PATROL CAR.
FDA OCI

...WHAT A STUPID CEO!
JUST... HURRY UP! WE GOTTA CATCH UP TO THEM!
YOU DON'T GET IT, DO YOU?! THE VICTORIA FROM BEFORE WAS BETTER!

HE'S JUST MAKING HIMSELF LOOK GUILTY BY RUNNING LIKE THIS.
SAY... DID THAT GUY REALLY DO IT?
HUH?!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? DIDN'T YOU GUYS SEND THE MESSAGE TO ASTORIA?!
THAT'S NOT IT!
WITH THAT 'SECRETARY' WITH HIM, IT JUST SEEMS WEIRD THAT HE'D SUDDENLY RUN OFF.
SO YOU DON'T HAVE FAITH IN OCI?
I SAID, THAT'S NOT IT!
LISTEN, IF OCI DIDN'T HAVE THE GROUNDS, THIS CAR CHASE WOULDN'T BE HAPPE-NING!
THE RESEARCH REPORT IS STILL AT ASTORIA.

...RIO!
WHEN WE RETURN THAT, YOU'LL HEAD BACK TOO. YOUR MISSION WILL BE OVER!
IT'S BEING VERIFIED, BUT IT IS DR. TENNOUJI AND EIGHTH'S, RIGHT?
!!
...MY MISSION?
...AND RETURN IT TO RIO...
RECOVER RIO'S STOLEN RESEARCH.

...YOU-
...HOW CAN I EXPLAIN IT?
YOU'VE GOT IT WRONG!
JUST RETURNING THE RESEARCH RIGHT NOW WOULD MEAN NOTHING!
!
MY MISSION IS TO 'RECOVER.'

The research from Rio and her associates has been plagued with misunderstanding, even though she made sure to follow proper procedure!
If I don't clear that up and uncover what really happened, it will never be over!
There are many obstacles in the way of this research.
But we can't allow these barriers to end it. We'll fix everything!
.....
Ah!
Hey, up ahead!

HM...
I CAN SEE THE BLACK ASTORIA UP AHEAD, TOO!
WE'VE CAUGHT UP!
THAT'S MIRA AND THE GUARD!
GOOD, LET'S PASS THEM!
Ring~ ing!
AH, WAIT!
MY PHONE!
BEEP
HELLO?
It's Luca!
Lower your speed!
EH? WHY?
This four-lane road is gonna merge into two lanes up ahead!
EH?

...The lanes will eventually narrow. By pursuing the Astoria car, there's the chance of causing an accident with another car and- Oh, okay.
MAKE IT BRIEF!!!
Beyond that, the central median will be gone and...
It's Mira's order!
HOW?!
OH, RIGHT! COULDN'T WE JUST WARN THE CIVILIAN CARS?
THEY'VE GIVEN UP!
THAT'S TOO BRIEF!
WELL, WHAT ABOUT THE PATROL CAR'S SPEAKER?

YOU! THE BLACK MKX! PULL OVER!
OTHER CARS! SLOW DOWN AND PULL OFF TO THE SIDE.
ASTORIA! IF YOU DON'T PULL OVER WE WILL OPEN FIRE!
HEY! DON'T PUSH HIM TOO HARD!
CAN'T HELP IT. UP AHEAD THE STREET DOESN'T JUST NARROW.
IT OPENS UP INTO A BIG INTER-SECTION.

IF WE DON'T DO THIS QUICKLY, THE TRAFFIC WILL ONLY INCREASE!
AND THE ASTORIA CAR MIGHT SLOW DOWN...!
...HEY.
CAN YOU SHOOT?
SHOOT AT THE CAR AND MAKE IT STOP!
ARE YOU SERIOUSLY SUGGESTING THAT?!
N...
NO NO NO! I CAN SHOOT, BUT THAT'S A HUGE NO-GO!
JUST DO IT!
AIM AT THE TIRES!
I CAN'T...
I'll hit the rear bumper!

WHAT'S MORE, IT'S TOO FAR AT THIS SPEED!
I DON'T THINK MY GUN HAS THAT RANGE!
DO IT!
USE MY GUN.
FOR REAL?

WHOA, IT'S FOR REAL!
Desert eagle?!

THIS IS WHAT YOU USE?
ARE YOU INSANE?!
SHUT UP!
HURRY UP AND DO IT SO WE CAN ARREST HIM!
I'M COUNTING ON YOU.

WHEN SOMEONE PINS A CRIME ON SOMEONE ELSE, THEY'LL PAY FOR IT!
I CAN'T LET IT GO IF I DON'T MAKE THINGS RIGHT!
...
GOT IT.
HOLD IT STEADY.
YEAH, IT'S A NICE CAR.

BWAAAH!
GRRR.
GEEZ...!
CAN BARELY...
NNNH...
...OKAY.
...AT THE SURFACE.
pant!
pant!

CIA

GOOD. HE STOPPED!
My arm hurts...
キィィ

THAT'S BECAUSE YOU FIRED TWO MORE SHOTS!
FDA-OCI
I'M WITH THE FDA-OCI. WE'D LIKE TO TALK.
YOU'RE THE PRE-SIDENT OF ASTORIA?
.....

WHERE IS YOUR SECRETARY?
...DON'T KNOW!
!?
I'VE BEEN SET UP!
WE DID FIND THE STOLEN DATA AT YOUR COMPANY.
THIS ISN'T WHAT I WANTED TO HAPPEN!
NO! IT WASN'T ME!
FBI-DCI

..What does that mean?
NO IDEA.
...DAMN!
SHE'S NOT HERE!
!
A PHONE...
...MAYBE I COULD CONTACT HER?

.....
RING-
RING-
beep
...Was there something else you wanted?

GULP
...
...IT'S HER!
.....?
Who is this?
...HEY...
Oh, my!
The guard from Eighth?

...AW, HELL!

THIS WOMAN KINDA GIVES ME THE CREEPS.

Oh yes, the CEO of Astoria is...

...No!

That's fine.

...Who are you?
Just who...
.....
.....
Why did you do such a thing with Dr. Tennouji's research?
.....
Weren't you after Eighth?
Your methods have put an end to Astoria, you know. Pretty sloppy work.

...Pfft!
I suppose so...
Yes, quite right!
...So, about that.
Sorry.
...
HEY! YOU!
..Say, why don't you..
..Come to me?

I'll give you more information once you get here.
!?
Come to Boston, alone.
IF YOU COME ALONE, FINE.
IF NOT, THEN WE'RE DONE HERE!

...Naoya?
...The whole mission this time.
Everything that I've done will be over.
You're involved with matters you know nothing about.
...So, come on!